

**Amendment to the Specification:**

Please make the following amendment to the above-identified application:

Delete the PCT bibliographic or cover page.

At page 1, line 4, please insert before the paragraph the following heading:

**FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

On page 1, line 13, before the paragraph, please insert the following heading:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Please replace the paragraph present in the specification on page 6, lines 10-11, with the following paragraph:

[[This]] These objects are achieved by a membrane electrode unit according to ~~Claim 1~~  
the present invention.

On page 6, line 12, before the paragraph, please insert:

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

On page 7, line 1, before the paragraph, please insert the following heading:

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS**

At the top of page 13, please insert the following amended heading:

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:** ~~Claims~~